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SUBJECT: MAPUTO CONFERENCE: SITREP MAY 17

PLENARY DEBATE, WHICH BEGAN MAY 16, WAS CALLIBRE
MARKEDLY HIGHER THAN THAT OF UNGA/SC. KEYNOTE SPEECHES
GENERALLY PRESENTED AS FACT EXISTENCE OF ARMED STRUGGLE
IN ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA. NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT WAS NOT
REPEAT NOT SEEN AS AN ALTERNATE TO STRUGGLE, BUT AS
PARALLEL EXERCISE IN WHICH ONE COMPLEMENTED OTHER. ROLE
OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS ESPECIALLY SWAPO AND PATRIOTIC
FRONT HIGHLIGHTED.

ECGEN TOOK GENERAL NON-CONTROVERSIAL ROUTE. MACHEL
MADE MASTERFUL PRESENTATION DESCRIBING RACISM AS SOURCE
OF CONFLICT IN REGION AND ARMED STRUGGLE ONLY MEANS TO
PUT AN END TO WAR. ZIMBABWE SETTLERS WERE NOT REPEAT NOT
A NATIONAL MINORITY, THEY WERE CITIZENS LIKE ALL OTHERS
WITHOUT RIGHT TO SPECIAL PRIVILEGES. ABOVE ALL, ANTICIPATED
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EXTREMISM TO 5/5 INITIATIVE AND TO SITUATION IN GENERAL DID
NOT/NOT EMERGE. (OAU SECGEN) TOOK MORE TRADITIONAL UNGA LINE;
CALLING FOR STRONG ENFORCEMENT MEASURES AGAINST RACIST REGIMES.
INITIATIVES COULD COMPLEMENT STRUGGLE BUT SHOULD IN NO
REPEAT NO WAY DIVERT CONFERENCE FROM SUPPORT OF ACTION.
RAMPHAL ADDRESS WAS BRILLIANT AND DETIALED AND INDICATED
HE CONSIDERED SOUTHERN AFRICA PRINCIPLE FOCUS OF COMING

GHGM. WITHOUT EVER IMPUGNING MOTIVES OF WHO COUNTRIES, HE PUT ON US ON THEM TO SHOW THAT GOOD INTENTIONS WOULD BE TRANSLATED INTO CONCRETE SUPPORT FOR SOUTHERN AFRICANS. ADDITIONALLY, RAMPHAL DID SOME USEFUL LOBBYING IN FAVOR OF MODERATION, (INCLUDING WITH MACHEL) AND LEFT GOUNDRY BEHIND TO CONTINUE EFFORT.

SALIM AND KAMANA SPOKE IN MODERATE CONSTRUCTIVE TERMS - SALIM COMMENTED TASK OF CONFERENCE WAS TO SUPPORT STRUGGLE FOR DECOLONIALIZATION TAKING INTO ACCOUNT CONCRETE CONDITIONS THAT PREVAIL. KAMANA CONSIDERED ANY INITIATIVE RELATED TO 385 (NAMIBIA) MEANINGFUL ONLY IF IT DID NOT REPEAT NOT EVADE BASIC CONDITIONS. HE (AND LATER SWAPO) CALLED FOR CREATION OF UNIVERSITY OF NAMIBIA AND CONVENING OF UN SPECIAL SESSION.

HARRIMAN, IN SINGLE DISMAL INTERVENTION RESORTED TO INSULT AND DIATRIBE IN PREDICTABLE DIRECTIONS.

BRIGHT SPOT, RELATIVELY SPEAKING, WAS DISCARDING BY NUJOMA OF AN UNYIELDING, ACCUSATORY TEXT WHICH WAS CIRCULATED PRIOR TO INTERVENTION, AND REPLACEMENT WITH ONE WHICH IN NO REPEAT NO WAY CLOSED DOOR ON 5/5 INITIATIVE. 5/5 FINGERS WERE SLAPPED FOR WINDHOEK SORTIEL (ILLEGAL) AND FOR IMPUTED EQUATING OF SWAPO AND TURNHALLE. HOWEVER, NUJOMA SUPPORTED 385 AND FREE ELECTIONS - BUT IN ABSENCE OF THE RSA MILITARY. BELIEVE SWAPO/NUJOMA TURNABOUT FACILITATED BY 5/5 CONTACTS OF MAY 13 AND MAY 15; AND BY POSITIVE PRESSURE OF OAU, SALIM AND SEC GEN.

MUGABE PERFORMED IMPRESSIVELY. PATRIOTIC FRONT LOVED INDEPENDENCE AND PEACE AND HAD MOBILIZED BECAUSE CONFIDENTIAL

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PEACE POSSIBLE ONLY THROUGH WAR. ONLY UK AND PATRIOTIC FRONT SHOULD BE INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATIONS. USA PRESSURE, BUT DECIDEDLY NOT REPEAT NOT INVOLVEMENT, WAS WELCOME.

MAY 17TH DEBATE CONTINUATION, MANLEY OF JAMAICA MADE GA GENERAL DEBATE STYLE SPEECH WHICH PUT DECOLONIALIZATION PROCESS IN NIO CONTEXT. HE IN EFFECT CALLED FOR FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF GA RESOLUTION; DREW CONSIDERABLE APPLAUSE; COMMENTED ON ANOMALY OF US/CUBA - US/RSA ECONOMIC RELATIONS. IT WAS AN IRRESPONSIBLE AND MISCHIEVOUS SPEECH, CONCLUDING WITH THE WAR CRY "ON TO SALISBURY, WINDHOEK AND THEN CAPE TOWN." NOT: FAB. HE MADE NO REPEAT NO COMMENTS OF NATURE TO IMPINGE UPON CHGM APARTHEID IN SPACE DISCUSSIONS - POSSIBLY THANKS TO RAMPHAL INTERVENTION.

NEGOTIATIONS: ON CONFERENCE DOCUMENTS NOT REPEAT NOT YET BEGIN IN EARNEST. COMMITTEE OF WHOLE FORMED DRAFTING GROUP MAY 17 COMPRISING CONFERENCE BUREAU: MOZAMBIQUE, SALIM, KAMANA, ROMANIA, NORWAY, INDIA, PANAMA, IRAQ, TURKEY, GDR, GUYANA, OAU AND PERTINENT LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. THEY WILL EXAMINE SALIM-PRODUCED SCHEMATIC

PAPER, IN LIGHT OF COMMENTS OF MAY 17 COMMITTEE MEETING AND CONSIDERATION MAY 19. CANADIAN DELEGATION INTERVENED IN COMMITTEE ONLY TO SUGGEST NECESSITY OF INCLUSION VERBIAGE RELATING TO PROGS OF PASSISTANCE BY INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE. SUGGESTION ACCEPTED, WITH PAEANS OF PRAISE BY SALIM FOR ALL SUCH HUMANITARIAN PROGS, INCLUDING UNETPSA OF WHICH CANADA WAS CHAIRMAN.

WISH TO UNDERLINE FACT THAT CANADIAN DELEGATION RECEIVED - FOR WHATEVER MOTIVES - TREMENDOUS COOPERATION FROM KEY AFRICANS DURING INITIAL DAYS OF CONFERENCE, ESPECIALLY VIS-A-VIS NUJOMA RELATED ACTIONS. WITHOUT DETERMINED ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY OAU REPS, AND SALIM 5/5 MEETING ARRANGED AT REQUEST CANADIAN DELEGATION MAY NOT HAVE TAKEN PLACE AND FIRST DESTRUCTIVE NUJOMA SPEECH MIGHT HAVE BEEN GIVEN. THIS FACTOR SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND AS CONFERENCE PROGRESSES.

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AS OF MAY 17 5/5 CONSULTATIONS HAD NOT REPEAT NOT PROGRESSED BEYOND NEW YORK MAY 10/11 STAGE, AS OTHER 4/4 DELEGATES ONLY JUST NOW GETTING FEET WET. TENDENCIES REPORTED FROM NEW YORK REMAIN.

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